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PARIS FOR BNDD

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: BNDD PROBE OF DRUG SHIPMENTS TO MEXICO

1. THE BUREAU OF NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS IS CONDUCTING A PROBE INTO THE LEGAL WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION OF AMPHETAMINES, BARBITURATES, AND METHAQUALONE ON THE BULK FORM. THE PRIMARY GOAL OF THIS OPERATION IS TO DETERMINE ANY SHIPMENTS OF THESE PRODUCTS WHICH EVENTUALLY MAY END UP IN MEXICO.

2. CURRENT BNDD INFORMATION INDICATES THAT LARGE QUANTITIES OF THESE PRODUCTS ARE BEING SHIPPED IN BULK FORM FROM EUROPE TO MEXICO WHERE THEY ARE PROCESSED INTO FINAL DOSAGE FORM AND EVENTUALLY SMUGGLED INTO THE U. S. FOR ILLICIT DISTRIBUTION. THE EUROPEAN SUPPLIERS ARE MAKING THE SHIPMENTS IN GOOD FAITH THINKING THE MEXICAN RECIPIENT

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IS LEGALLY ENGAGED IN DRUG MANUFACTURING ACTIVITIES.

3. REPRESENTATIVES FROM BNDD HEADQUARTERS PLAN TO ARRIVE IN BERN AROUND MAY 23, 1973. THEY WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH EMBASSY OFFICIALS AND, IF FEASIBLE, WITH APPROPRIATE GOS OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS EXPORTS OF THESE PRODUCTS FROM SWITZERLAND.

4. AVAILABLE INFO INDICATES FOLLOWING SWISS FIRM MAKING DRUG SHIPMENTS TO MEXICO:

A) SIGFRIED A. G. ZOFINGER
CH-488 ZOFINGER SWITZERLAND

B) DOLDER A. G.
BASEL, SWITZERLAND

C) PRIMA SINT
ZURICH, SWITZERLAND

5. EMBASSY WILL BE FULLY BRIEFED BY THE BNDD REPRESENTATIVES WHEN THEY ARRIVE IN SWITZERLAND. ROGERS

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